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1. The Spanish Police Headquarters in Madrid reportedly warned high officials of the Politico-Social Brigade in various parts of Spain about the first of June 1949 of an impending Communist effort to carry out terrorist activities in Spain. The officials were told, according to source, that groups of young "rojos" who had emigrated to Russia during the Civil War and were educated there in terrorist schools would soon proceed from Russia to France, whence they planned to enter Spain by means unknown.*
2. According to orders allegedly received by the Spanish Communist Party (PCE) from the Cominform, as soon as the campaign in China is ended, Russia will give every aid necessary to the PCE, including military aid if needed, to enable the PCE to take control of all resistance groups in Spain. Former members of the International Brigades, the police stated, will be sent by air transport to collaborate with all leftist elements interested in overthrowing the Franco regime, and efforts will be made to conceal the Communist character of the movement.

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* ~~SECRET~~ Comment. Communist plans to send Russian-trained Spaniards into Spain have been reported by a source in France with good Communist contacts.

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